## REMARKS

Upon review of the allowed application, informalities have been noted in claims 11, 20 and 24. More specifically, in claim 11, line 9, the term "second" was inadvertently omitted from the intended phrase "first and second quartz". In claim 20, line 5, the "feedback circuit" is incorrectly phrased as "feedback resistor". Claim 24, lines 4-5, incorrectly recite that "the frame portion" of the quartz crystal tuning fork resonator protrudes from "the cut portion" rather than from "the quartz crystal tuning fork base".

To correct the foregoing informalities, claim 11, line 9, has been amended to recite "first and second quartz crystal tuning fork tines", claim 20, line 5, has been amended to change the two instances of "feedback resistor" to "feedback circuit", and claim 24, lines 4-5, has been amended to recite that the quartz crystal tuning fork resonator has "a frame portion protruding from the quartz crystal tuning fork base".

The minor revisions to claims 11, 20 and 24 requested herein will not entail undue work on the part of the PTO staff, but the amendments are needed to correct informalities and to ensure that the claims correctly define the subject matter of the invention.

Favorable consideration and entry of this amendment are respectfully requested.

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